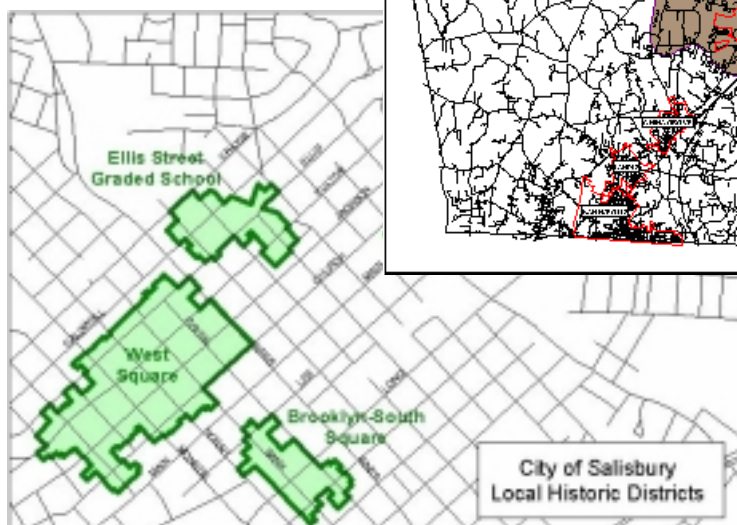
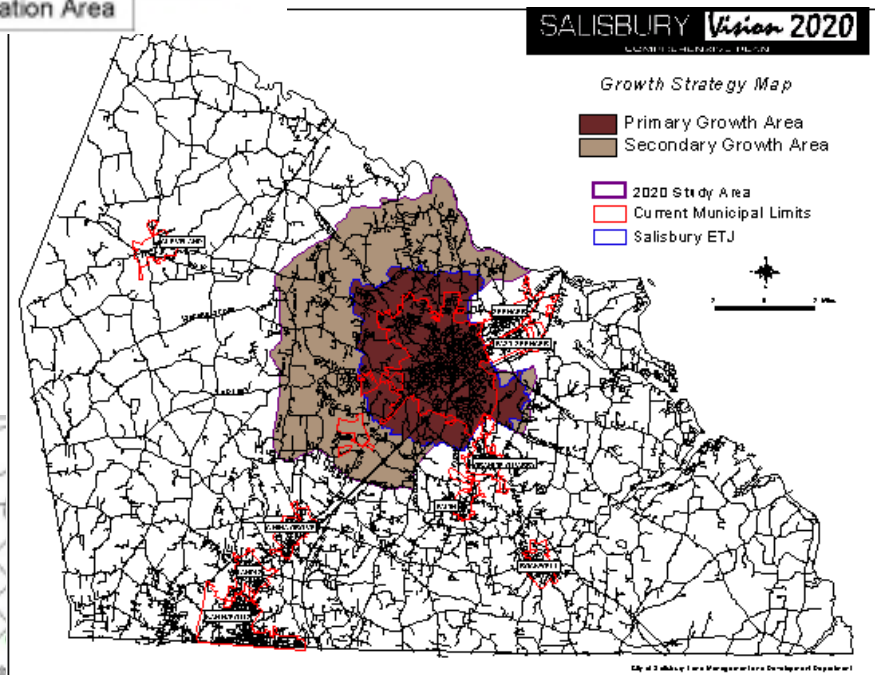
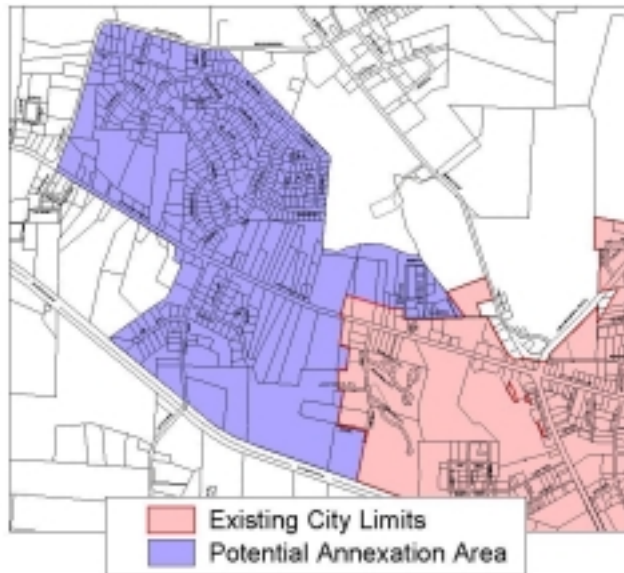


Planning



Purpose

To provide for a coordinated planning program to insure orderly growth within the City to include population, land use, thoroughfares, public facilities, neighborhoods, zoning, subdivision regulations, other specialty areas, and geographic information systems. To formulate, develop and recommend policies, plans and local ordinances intended to improve the overall appearance, economic climate within the City and its extraterritorial areas. To eliminate slums and blighted conditions in commercial and residential areas by code enforcement and provide for orderly growth and development within the City.

GIS Uses

The Planning Division relies heavily on existing GIS software and data in order to perform both its short-term and long-range planning functions. Staff attempts to incorporate data from various realms, such as utilities, floodplains, census data, and traffic information. As new data is developed, it is integrated into staff reports and presentations, enhancing the decision-making process as the City continues to grow and change.

The Planning Division uses GIS to produce a wide range of thematic maps for use within the Land Management Department, as well as custom mapping for other city departments, local agencies, and individuals. As the technology base increases, we can continue to expand this mapping element to be easily available to the public through the internet.

As additional data layers are developed, it will become easier to identify growth patterns and trends as they occur over time throughout the City. Parcel level data will improve many processes, including property owner notifications, land use analysis, and annexation studies.

This division could benefit greatly from geo-referenced permitting data from the Development Services Division, as well as enhanced and updated data from the Utilities Department.

Data Development

The following data layers have been identified as necessary for use by Planning:

Layer Name	Use	Status
Annexation areas	Indicate areas slated for annexation	In progress – some areas compiled in CAD
Architectural survey data	Reference	Complete in paper form; digital form not started
Building footprints	Reference	Not started
Certificate of Appropriateness database	Research/analysis/reference	Not started
City ETJ boundary	Reference	Complete
City limit boundary	Reference	Complete
Floodway	Identify properties within flood-prone areas	Complete; digitized from FEMA maps
Growth corridors/target areas	Indicate areas desirable for growth/redevelopment by the City	Not started
Historic properties database	Research/analysis/reference	Started by intern in Spring 2001; need new intern
Institutions	Reference	Complete (in CAD)
Land use	Indicate classifications of land use on a parcel level basis.	Completed as a part of 2020 Plan; requires updating.
Neighborhoods	Indicate locations by common names; reference	Complete (developed separate from Police Department)
Orthophotography	Reference	Current photos date to 1983; new flight scheduled winter of 2001-2002
Parcels	Tax map and parcel number matching; reference	County in process of acquiring data from vendor, ASI
Pedestrian access	Include locations of sidewalks, pedestrian crosswalks, etc.	Not started
Parks	Reference	Complete
Sewer lines	Indicate location of sewer service lines; reference	Not started
Sewer service areas	Indicate broad areas where sewer service is available or anticipated to be available; reference	Complete (Salisbury 2020 Plan)

Streets	Address matching; reference	Currently maintained in CAD; anticipate moving to ArcInfo in early 2002
Subdivisions	Indicate locations of named subdivisions; reference	Not started
US Census Data	Data from Summary Tape Files 1 and 3.	STF1 not processed; STF3 not yet available
Water lines	Indicate location of water service lines; reference	Not started
Water service areas	Indicate broad areas where water service is available or anticipated to be available; reference	Complete (Salisbury 2020 Plan)
Zoning	Indicate locations of zoning classifications throughout the City	Complete
Zoning case database	Research/analysis/reference	Not started

Goals

1. Develop data layers as identified in the ***Data Development*** section.
2. Develop a web-based application for the querying of zoning information via classification, proximity to an address, and/or tax map and parcel number in put by user. Make this available to the general public as well as other City departments.
3. Develop an internal web-based application for the generation of notification letters to property owners for annexation hearings, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Planning Board, etc.
4. Develop a web-based application to highlight the historic districts of the City and to allow National Register and Local Historic District data about structures to be searched/browsed online. Make this available to the general public as well as other City departments.

5. Study neighborhood boundaries defined by Police Department to determine feasibility of use by Planning Division for plans at the neighborhood or community level.
6. Utilize US Census data, County tax data, etc. in order to develop a list of potential commercial sites in the City including, but not limited to the Fisher Street and Brooklyn-South Square areas.
7. Utilize US Census data, County tax data, etc. in an effort to establish a plan to recruit commercial, retail, office, and institutional development within the City limits. Develop a web-based application geared toward making this readily available to developers.
8. Develop a zoning case database. Create a web-based application for the research/analysis of zoning cases.
9. Tie a Certificate of Appropriateness database with the Historic District web application to determine where improvements have taken place, during what time, etc. Utilize this information to generate reports for the Historic Commission (currently researched and entered by hand). Have pictures for each property.